

November Offerings to the Parish including Standing Orders: **Total £2558 Thank you**

Baptism information: See Baptism Team after Sunday Mass to register your child's details and begin the process. Further information contact Annie or Janice on: baptismstbernards@gmail.com

Sacrament of Marriage: 6 months' notice must be given, please see Father to make arrangements, please speak to Clergy **Marriage preparation course** is on the four Sundays in Feb. and in June at Our Lady's Moss Side: Book on line at marriage.stjosephsmanchester.co.uk: **Sacramental programme 2019/20**: Contact: Clare Clegg (07389 192655).

The Divine Mercy prayer Group meets on the Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month in the Church at 1pm. *****Please note new days*****

Legion of Mary: Tuesday's after evening Mass in the Hall, new members welcome.

Young At Heart open Monday: we look forward to seeing you.

Toddlers Group: open Tuesday mornings; Further enquiries to Anne 431 7212

Drop in is open on Thursdays 10am till 2-30pm **ALL CLUBS AND GROUPS SUSPENDED**

BURNAGE FOOD BANK; opening times are: Tuesday 12.30pm-2.30pm St Nicholas Church Hall, Kingsway, Burnage M19 1PL and Friday 3pm-5pm St Bernard's Church Hall, Burnage Lane, M19 1DR. www.burnagefoodbank.org.uk or tel: 07936698546; Special Christmas opening times to come shortly.

Caritas Diocese of Salford - Advent Appeal 2020. At this time of year, Caritas Salford traditionally begins a winter appeal for donations of food, sleeping bags and other materials. The restrictions affecting the public celebration of Mass means we are unable to accept physical donations this year or tell parishioners about the positive impact of their donations on the lives of those in need. to watch a short film about how Caritas helped Rochelle, Quinton and Nikki and to make a small donation by debit or credit card if you are able. Please continue to remember in your prayers all the staff, volunteers and beneficiaries of Caritas services this winter. Please visit the Caritas Salford website / use this link <https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/service-view/advent-appeal-2020/> Thank you.

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Items for the Bulletin can be left at the Presbytery or emailed to michaelkujacz@hotmail.com by Wednesday evening please for inclusion the following Sunday: the Newsletter is usually published Friday Morning. **Signed Mass Cards** can be obtained from Bridie Close, 44 Shawbrook Rd, during the week or on Sundays from the Bookstall (back of Church) or the Piety Stall (Parish Hall).

ST. BERNARD'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SUNDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2020



Clergy: Mgr. Michael J Kujacz, Fr. John Coe

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STAY WITH US ON OUR JOURNEY

Second Advent Mass sheets

December: Month of the Immaculate Conception



Throughout the first three weeks of Advent our focus is very clearly on the Second Coming of the Lord - not so much on the run up to Christmas (until the last week). If we view Advent as a preparation for Christmas these readings will make little sense - and neither will the

figure of John the Baptist who appears today: if it's about the preparation for Christmas, then John the Baptist, preaching after Jesus was born, is a confusing figure: but his role is to preach to us, as he did of old, and to prepare us for the (second) coming of the Lord. Today we have a very graphic reference to the end of time and the Second Coming in the reading from Saint Peter; it is a frightening picture, and so the first reading offers tender words of comfort to help us understand who is coming, and why we should be ready to meet him.

During this second week of Advent we pray for the parish of Our Lady of the Assumption, Middleton, with Canon Tadhg Mullins their parish priest. We pray for their parish primary schools and Cardinal Langley High School, and for the Sisters of Charity of St. Paul and the Sisters of the Cross and Passion. May they prepare a way for the Lord.

Pope Francis Tweet: "Praying and loving that is what it means to be watchful. When the Church worships God and serves our neighbour, it does not live in the night. However weak and weary, she journeys towards the Lord. Let us now call out to him. Come, Lord Jesus, we need you!"

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS for December: That our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and by Prayer.

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Keep up to date on the website with the Parish Pump and Sacristy Chatter.

This week's timetable

Second Sunday of Advent	6th December	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass
Monday	7th December	St Ambrose	9-30am	Mass
Tuesday	8th December	Solemnity: The Immaculate Conception	6pm 7pm	*Exposition & Confessions* Mass
Wednesday	9th December	Mass of Advent (St Juan Diego)	9-30am	Mass
Thursday	10th December	Mass of Advent (Our Lady of Loreto)	9-30am	Mass
Friday	11th December	Mass of Advent (St Damasus I)	9-30am	Mass
Saturday	12th December	Mass of Advent (Our Lady of Guadalupe)	11am-12pm 12 Noon	*Exposition & Confessions* Mass
Third Sunday of Advent	13th December	Morning Mass Evening Mass	10am 6pm	Mass Mass



PLEASE WEAR A MASK AT CHURCH unless you are excused. Thanks

Masses this week: Special Intentions, Holy Souls, Padraig Derrig, Margaret & George, George Jnr, Kathleen Foley, Vincent John Shrapnell, Velia Maguire, Eugene & Julia Sullivan, Evelyn Towey, John McLoughlin, Ann McManus & Dec. Legionaries, Kate Hedges, Jim O'Brien, Sean Brennan, In thanksgiving.

In your prayers please remember: Christine Kelly, Paddy Lyons, Hilary, Margaret Moran, Oliver, Patricia Divine, Hanna O'Dea, Colm Harkin, Vincent Gibson, Padraig Kavanagh, Canon Frank Deeney, Piers Henderson, Trevor Teale, Michael Maguire, Audrey O'Neil, Carol Archer, Michael Griffin, James Hegerty, Audrey O'Neil, Canon Michael Moore, Sarah Mitchell, Paddy Colbert, Gerard Cain, James Barrens, Michaela Rabbitt, Mary Callaghan, B Keaveney, Teresa Barrett, Antony & Christopher Mullen, Janet Ackley, Carol Archer, Ann McKenna, Barbara Hegarty, Barry Keaveney, Katherine Mahon, Mary Wheatley, Steven Moorhouse, Tess Kenrick, Pat Preston, Mary Boylan, Val Begley, Kevin Malpas, James Barren, Marcella McNevin, Ged MacCarron, Celia & Alf Meschi, Cam Lusco, Maureen Nash, Breda Gallagher, Margaret Bayhi, Paul Cannon, Angela & Dennis Keyworth, Clare Bainbridge, Denis Joyce, Mobishir Rawthore, Nancy Maguire, Kath Welch, Ann & David, Mary O'Neill, Fr Francis Austin, Sarah Byrns, Kitty Kinsella, Bill O'Hara, Katie Richards, Marian Parker, David Goddard, Ian Lomas, Arianna, Oliver Agnew, Pat Lawrence, Pat Scott, Lisa McElwaine, Fr Leo Heakin, Sir Bobby Charlton, William Harkin, Lyndsey Kelly, John Phillips, Stefan Lachkovic, Karen & Billy Hennessy, Debbie Roberts, Dillon Ward, Brian Waugh, Ellen Leach, Michael Turner, Chris Forbes, Yas Poptani, Sr Pat Carney, Dorothy Harold, Christine, Pat Hallows, John Griffin, Fr Chris Lough, Jane Riley, Jacky Watts, Margaret Hills, Sheila Walsh, John Kirwin, Christopher Burke, Ann O'Connor, MJK, Anne Hutton, Sandra Lannatta, Kevin Hemsell, George Hegarty, Margaret & Dave Watkins, Sue Atherton, Lizzie Frost, Breda Orr, Orla McManus, Betty Ann Jones, Kathleen Curley, Anthony Mullen, Marion Moran, Ronald Bradshaw, Ann & John MacCarron, Anthony Gallagher, Fr Vincent Cavey, Mary Winterbourne, Mary Mulvihill, Phyllis Dowd, Celia Deignan, Eileen Kenny, Mary Jordan, Michael Carney, Maureen Walkin, Bernie Quezena, Lee Hegarty, Richard O'Connor, Patrick Clarke, Anna Lawless, Eddie McDonald.

Our Lady's Lamp for the success of the Vaccine programme & the **Sacred Heart Lamp** for the housebound: please let us know if you would like an entry making on the list: suggested donation £5. Thank you



UP TO DATE & WITH ADVENT IN MIND: As Advent continues why not try to start coming back for Mass, we miss you and look forward to seeing you.

You can see that we have brought back our full liturgical timetable this week, restoring evening Mass on Tuesday at 7pm and with it being Advent we have Exposition and Confessions from 6pm.

As part of risk assessment agreement although we have not got the heating on, we still have to keep the flow of air circulating, so it is good to wear a warm coat or scarf when you come along.

Please keep to the one way system, and make sure you follow the stewards who are there to help and make sure we follow all Government guidelines.

We are also continuing with track and trace, which is for everyone's safety.

Eucharistic Ministers will begin taking Holy Communion to the sick today, again following the new guidelines.

Please let us have your form back ASAP to book your invites for our Christmas Masses, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis and once a particular Mass is full we will not be able to add any extra either before or on the night of day of the Mass.

We would like Altar servers to re start next Sunday, please contact us.

The Diocese are offering an Advent at Home resource, which you can find at this link: website: <https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/covid19/advent-at-home/>



Please arrange your Baptisms by Annie or Janice using the Parish website on:

baptismstbernards@gmail.com please be aware that some social distancing rules will apply and limited numbers.



2020 CHRISTMAS SPECIAL: The main draw will take place TODAY Sunday 6th December and the prizes will be: - 1st Prize £300, 2nd Prize £100, 3rd Prize £50, 4th Prize £25, 5th Prize £25. Good luck to all who



have supported us in this special draw. We have such a good response we plan to hold similar draws next year.

CAFOD World Gifts are the ideal lockdown present, enabling us to be good neighbours to our brothers & sisters overseas. Go to www.cafod.org.uk/worldgifts to browse & order online, everything from bees & goats to vegetable gardens & footballs: Or, if you prefer phone 0808 14 000 14 to order a catalogue. After a year of uncertainty we all need the hope, peace, comfort & joy that **Advent** can offer. Visit www.cafod.org.uk/parishes for virtual events that help us to gather online to pray, reflect & celebrate as we prepare for the coming of the Lord.

As the month of November as now passed what do we do with the November lists? Well we keep them in the Casket, along with the book of intentions that have been written over the last ten years, and the evening of the 30th we placed the Casket with its contents behind the Tabernacle, near to the Blessed Sacrament where it will remain until next November when we assemble our new lists. So every time you come to Church, please remember your loved ones are still named before the Lord.